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January 23rd, 1912, Temperature a.m. 62, p.m. 60; Humidity...85, 65.

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FRIDAY, JANUARY 24, 1913.

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TELEGRAMS.

SUFFRAGE QUESTION.

GOVERNMENT EMBARRASSED

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, January 23.
Though it is authoritatively stated that there is no question of Ministers resigning on the suffrage question, it is admitted that the embarrassment of the Government is increasing.

Besides the excessive "lobbying," in which even Ministers are active, many M.P.'s have received threatening letters. It is stated that many will be absent from the division.

Many Radicals also are angry at the possibility of women suffrage being passed under the Parliament Act.

The feeling is growing that the Bill may be replaced by the Plural Voting Bill.

Mr. Lloyd George's Promise.

Later.

Mr. Lloyd George, Sir Edward Grey and a number of M.P.'s have received a remarkable deputation of working women, teachers, servants, shop girls, waitresses, fisher girls and representatives of various other classes who urged the claims of women to the vote.

Mr. Lloyd George replied that he would certainly support Sir Edward Grey's amendment, and he hoped the House of Commons would ultimately decide to enfranchise working women to the proper extent. He emphasised the point that the time-table allowed ample time for the discussion of all the amendments, and if any of them were carried the Government was pledged to carry it through. The statement that any of his colleagues would resign was absolutely untrue, and he thought the stories that Liberals would vote against the third reading of the Bill were equally false.

Sir Edward Grey's Views.

Sir Edward Grey said the opponents of votes for women were poor, but their feelings were strong and genuine. That was a position which could not be overcome by menace and annoyance.

The "Guillotine."

Later.

The House of Commons was crowded on the discussion of a "guillotine" resolution alloting the time to the Franchise Bill.

Mr. Bonar Law suggested that the Government's amendments made such a material difference that the Bill should be withdrawn.

The Speaker deferred from pronouncing an opinion until the amendments had been inserted in the Bill in its final form. He added that the women's suffrage amendments made a huge difference in the Bill, and Heaven only knew what form the Bill would eventually take.

"A Sensation."

The Speaker's remarks created a great sensation.

It is generally believed that if the Suffragette amendment is carried, the Bill will be withdrawn.

Mr. Asquith's Reply.

Later.

Mr. Asquith said the Bill was less sweeping than previous franchise measures.

A Voice: What about the Suffragettes?

Mr. Asquith: I am referring to the Bill as it stands. Continuing, he said the Government was anxious to deal with Redistribution at the earliest possible moment. He reiterated that the Government had not receded from its pledge, and the House was left free to vote on the question of women's suffrage—(Cheers). He proceeded to describe the nature of the various amendments.

TELEGRAMS.

SUFFRAGE QUESTION.

MR. BONAR LAW SPEAKS.

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London, January 23.

Mr. Bonar Law emphasised that this was the fourth "guillotine" resolution within three months. The Bill was most important and most complex. He emphasised Mr. Asquith's position, he being an anti-Suffragette; yet if the Bill added thirteen million women to the register he would still perpetrate this national disaster—(Cheers)—and use the Parliament Act to prevent the country from giving its judgment.

OIL-ENGINEED SHIP JUTLANDIA.

From the published particulars it appears that the oil-engineed ship Jutlandia, which arrived in England from Singapore recently has justified the hopes of her builders, Messrs. Barclay, Curle and Co., and owners. Interest in the Jutlandia naturally turns upon the performance of her main engines, which are the Diesel, single-acting, four-cycle type. The economy of fuel seems to have been satisfactory, and the general behaviour of the engines good; although a number of minor troubles were experienced. There was difficulty with the packings in the joints between the cylinders and covers, five or six of the covers having to be rejoined. On the homeward voyage from Singapore there was little hope of European complications, and emphasised the attitude of Russia, which had recently twice warned the Porte that the continuation of hostilities might compel her to depart from neutrality.

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TELEGRAMS.

PEACE PROSPECTS.

THE ALLIES' VIEWS.

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[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, January 23.

The delegates of the Allies in London are satisfied with Turkey's decision, though they point out that important questions, including the payment of an indemnity in proportion to the Ottoman debt to be assured the Allies, and the question of railways, must be concluded before peace is signed.

Turkey's Last Effort.

Reuter's correspondent at Constantinople states that it believed that the Note in reply to the Powers will not be a straightforward acceptance, but will probably attempt to make reservation leading to further discussion. However, with the cession of Adrianople settled in principle, it is not likely that the early conclusion of peace will be delayed.

The Grand Vizier, Nazim Pasha, the Minister of Finance, and Noradunghian spoke in the Grand Council.

Nazim Pasha said that the army was eager to fight, though there was little chance of recovering Salonika and Monastir, or even of relieving Adrianople, but other questions besides military militated against the continuation of hostilities.

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Berlin Annoyed.

A Berlin telegram reports that the Press is attacking the Government for surrendering to the Triple Entente in extorting the surrender of Turkey, which it attributes to Russian threats to invade the Asiatic vilayets.

The Peace Conference.

Later.
Reuter learns that Sir Edward Grey will probably convene a meeting of the Peace Conference for Monday, which will formally embody, in the form of a Protocol, Turkey's decisions.

Suggested Indemnity.

The Balkan delegates point out that there are still many serious and complicated questions which await settlement, and the signature of the Treaty will hardly be possible for a month.

It is believed that the Allies may agree to take over £22,000,000 of the Turkish Debt, accepting half thereof as a war indemnity.

Montenegro Determined.

The Montenegrins say that the Conference of Ambassadors who on Wednesday discussed the question of Albania were much impressed with their view. They declare that they cannot, and will not, accept the Austrian proposal to give Montenegro a portion of the shore of Lake Scutari without the town itself. Montenegro is, they added, ready to fight for the town.

NEW YORK WEDDING.

A WEALTHY BRIDE.

London, January 23.
A New York telegram states that Miss Helen Gould, the richest spinster in America, has been married to Mr. Tinsley Shephard, Vice-President of the Missouri and Pacific Railway.

TELEGRAMS.

TURKISH CRISIS.

THE CABINET RESIGNS.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, January 23.

Reuter's correspondent at Constantinople states that the Cabinet has resigned owing to a demonstration.

General Mahmud Shekhet has been appointed Grand Vizier; Talat Bey interim Minister of Interior; and Izet Pasha Minister of War.

No Surrender.

Talat Bey, interviewed by Reuter's representative at the "San Francisco Chronicle," writes:

"This means that we will save our national honour or perish. We do not desire a continuation of the war, but we are determined to keep Adrianople."

HOME GALES.

UNDERWRITERS' BIG BILL.

London, January 23.

The continuous gales which have prevailed since Christmas have cost underwriters over £2,000,000.

THE PACIFIC MAIL.

Why Hongkong Chinese Smuggle Opium.

We print the following, from "Vancouver World," but refrain from comment:

San Francisco, December 6.—Such small wages are paid by the Pacific Mail Steamship Company to its Chinese employees that they expect when they sign on to eke out a living by smuggling opium. Such is statement of Mr. J. B. McNab, United States attorney here, in an open letter to Mr. R. P. Schwerin, vice-president and general manager of the company.

"Your publicly requested me to make any suggestion I might have for the suppression of the opium traffic. At the several public hearings the following facts have been more or less clearly established:

"That the efforts made by your company to stop the bringing of opium aboard your ships at Hongkong have been fruitless because the detectives are Chinese.

"Whenever the opium is brought ashore the head Chinese boy in the department is made the agent for landing, but frequently it was landed through friends ashore.

"That the Chinese cannot well operate without the assistance of white persons, and frequently these are officers of the Pacific Mail.

"That the company maintains aboard nearly all of its liners a room designated as an opium den, within which the smoking of the drug is permitted.

"That it is notoriously reported that the Chinese members of the crew are paid sums so small that they expect to eke out a living by dealing in the contraband drug.

"That the head boys of the various departments are reported to pay the agents to secure their positions in order that they may participate in the rich profits accruing in the opium trade."

Mr. McNab suggests that men of other nationalities—perhaps Filipinos if white labour is too dear—be employed in place of Chinese.

"You would then be able to avail yourself," he continues, "of that conflict in races which is your excuse for the Japanese Steamship Mail landing to the opium."

TELEGRAMS.

VOTES FOR WOMEN.

FAVoured in America.

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[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, January 23.

The New York State Legislature has passed a resolution in favour of votes for women.

THE KING AND PRINCESS BEATRICE.

Serious Quarrel Alleged.

The London correspondent of the "San Francisco Chronicle" writes:

"London, December 14.—A serious quarrel has arisen in the royal family because Princess Henry of Battenberg is offering for sale her well-known Isle of Wight residence, Osborne Cottage.

King George and Queen Mary are incensed at their royal aunt's action in this matter and in taking the step she defied the King's strongly expressed wishes. The Princess and her King-Emperor nephew are scarcely on speaking terms as a result.

Princess Henry of Battenberg is, of course, the daughter of the late Queen Victoria. As Princess Beatrice she accompanied her mother almost everywhere, and after her husband, Prince Henry of Battenberg, died in 1896, she became still more the confidante of the great Queen. At her death she inherited almost all the personal belongings which Queen Victoria most valued. Among these was Osborne Cottage, a delightful residence at Whippingham, in the Isle of Wight, only a short distance from Osborne House, where Queen Victoria died. It was here that Princess Ena, the daughter of Princess Henry of Battenberg, spent many days before she became Queen of Spain.

King George and the Queen take the view that it is scandalous for a member of the ruling family to put up at auction a residence which, though not belonging to the Government, was bought by Queen Victoria and left by her will to Princess Henry for life. King George is peculiarly sensitive to public criticism, and he foresees that this step will not increase the popularity of the royal family, especially as Princess Henry holds the honorary office of Governor of the Isle of Wight.

Princess Henry maintains that the cottage is hers to do what she pleases with. She has magnificent state apartments in Kensington Palace—one of London's most picturesque landmarks—and she declares that she does not need another establishment in the Isle of Wight. In fact she stoutly asserts that she cannot afford to keep it up. Her allowance from the British Government is comparatively small, she has three sons with expensive tastes, and Osborne Cottage, with its yacht in waiting and other expenses, proves more than she can meet, despite occasional assistance from her rich daughter, the Queen of Spain.

In referring to King George's arguments that she would disgrace the royal family by putting up the cottage at auction, Princess Beatrice did not mince matters. In effect she said that it was all very well for the King to talk, but that when he and Queen Mary came to Cowes for the famous regatta, they stayed two weeks at Osborne cottage and she had to foot the bill for all the enormous expense of their staff and themselves.

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BRAZILIAN NAVY.

DREADNOUGHT LAUNCHED.

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The Brazilian Dreadnought battleship Rio de Janeiro has been launched at the Elswick yards.

The Rio de Janeiro has a displacement of 32,000 tons and turbines developing a horse-power of 45,300. Her designed speed is 22.5 knots, and her armament consists of twelve 14-inch guns, fourteen 6-inch quick-filers, fourteen 4-inch and six smaller quick-filers. She has three torpedo tubes. The approximate cost of this huge craft—at the time she was laid down the biggest naval boat contemplated in the world—is said to be no less than £2,900,000.

TREATMENT OF RINDERPEST.

Permanganate of Potash Cure.

A recent issue of the "Journal of Comparative Pathology and Therapeutics" contains a valuable paper by Major G.K. Walker, F.R.C.V.S., of the Indian Civil Veterinary Department dealing with the treatment of rinderpest with permanganate of potash.

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Daily Press.

Turkey's Decision.

Turkey by the peace settlement must inevitably lose a very great part of her European territory, possibly nine-tenths of it—but as M. Poincaré declared in the speech to which we have alluded, "she will still have a flourishing Empire of considerable extent in Asia, and she ought to concentrate her efforts and her hopes upon that Empire, a course which would enable her to live on terms of friendship with the great European Powers, and particularly with France." While the British Government has declared to France, "in a very friendly manner," that it has neither political designs nor aspirations of any kind in those regions, France claims to have special interests there, and M. Poincaré has announced that the French Government is very firmly determined to maintain in Asia the integrity of the Ottoman Empire. That, of course, is all to the advantage of Turkey. In all probability had the war been fought to a finish the Sultan would have been driven out of Europe completely, but as it is, assuming that the Allies are left by the peace treaty in the enjoyment of the territories they now hold by force majeure, the Sultan will retain in Europe an area of about 7,000 square miles out of the 65,000 square miles over which his sovereignty extended before the outbreak of the war. But as Turkey comprises in Asia an area of 682,000 square miles, and in Africa 733,181 square miles, there will still remain to the Sultan an Empire equaling in extent the Empire of Germany with all its extensive colonies in Africa, and its 98,000 square miles of islands in the Pacific.

South China Morning Post.

Another Eastern Republic.

The dream of glory as fondly interpreted by a few enthusiasts means, as Judge Tracey remarks, "a little independent republic on the eastern seas"—for Aguinaldo is reported to be once more in the political arena. If this be the Alpha and Omega of independence according to Filipino thought then we can see what baseless things dreams are made of. When powerful nations recognise common foes, and wield mighty influence in the councils of the world, it is an effort to imagine the Philippines in these days existing as a republic in eastern seas. Under the aegis of the United States the islands have made, according to Secretary Stimson, material, mental and moral progress. This might continue, for the Filipinos have been placed on the path which leads to higher altitudes, but the very existence of a small republic in the Far East world, we fear, be very soon challenged.

China Mail.

The Panama Canal Tolls. Nations, like individuals, degenerate when moral laxity is allowed to develop, for it is a cancer that spreads greater destruction than war. It is quite clear from Senator Root's statement that he is not in favour of the question being made the subject of any kind of arbitration, and emphatically states in effect that non-adherence to any other course than that in accordance with the Treaty provisions is "revolting hypocrisy." As indicated, we take a milder view, not that we are less inclined to advocate firm adherence to Treaty obligations, but we are of opinion that the great sacrifices made by the United States with regard to the Canal perhaps justifies a revision of the Treaty. Surely, the matter is at least worthy of consideration, and we sincerely hope that the United States will present its case in the most favourable light, otherwise in face of such condemnatory expressions of opinion as those of Senator Root, together with the terms of the Treaty referred to in the case against the United States will require a very considerable amount of "altered circumstances" to make it presentable.

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GENERAL NEWS.

Bequest to China Inland Mission. Considerable bequests to religious objects have been left by Mr. Charles Walter, of Lyndon House, Fawley-road, Furbition Hill, Surrey, including £300 to the China Inland Mission.

Rubber Director's Will. Mr. Andrew Oliver, a director of the British Malaya Rubber Company, Limited, and of the Oriental Rubber Company, Limited, left estate valued at £14,020 gross, with no personalty £13,880.

Interesting Marriage. A marriage has been arranged, and will shortly take place, between William Bowes, son of the late James Lord Bowes (Hon. Consul for Japan), of Streatham Towers, Princes-road, Liverpool, and Enna Beatrice Krell, elder daughter of the late C. C. W. Krell, of Liverpool.

New Peruvian Consulates. Senator Jose M. Sanmiguel has been appointed Consul for Peru for the county of Kent, with headquarters at Rochester. He is one of twelve or fourteen Consuls appointed to various centres in Great Britain by the Government of Peru with the object of bringing about increased trade between the countries.

Health of Bangkok. The following is a return showing the number of deaths from communicable diseases, which have been notified as occurring in the City of Bangkok during the week ended the 4th January 1913:—

Bubonic Plague Nil.
Cholera 1 (on 4th).
Fever, Enteric Nil.
Small Pox Nil.

"Culture Policy" in China. Writing under the title of "German Culture Policy in China," a contributor to a Bremen contemporary contends that the circulation of German literary work is suffering in China owing to the present conditions of the book trade there. He advocates, therefore, the establishment of a book distributing organisation that shall really introduce the products of German literary work to the people of China.

Famous Duel Recalled. The death is announced of Mr. Tom Pickernell, a once famous amateur cross-country rider, who rode under the name of Mr. Thomas, and won the Grand National on three occasions. He was seventy-eight years of age. Mr. Pickernell once had a novel "duelling" experience with the Duc de Grammont. They tossed for choice of weapons, and Mr. Pickernell won. He nominated "fists," and forthwith ended the "duel" with a punch on the nose, which was sufficient for the Duc de Grammont.

China and the States. Peking, January 13.—A movement has been started here to bring about closer relations between China and the United States. Former President Roosevelt and former President Sun Yat-sen have been nominated as honorary presidents of a society that is to organize and promote the movement. The plan finds many adherents but it is explained that neither Roosevelt nor Sun Yat-sen has been consulted as to his attitude toward the plan and its promoters, and there is some doubt as to their willingness to serve.

Chinese Suffrage. Approximately 5,000,000 Chinese women living in the province and within the jurisdiction of Canton were granted suffrage by the provincial assembly just before it adjourned, says the "San Francisco Call." Immediately after the Manchu dynasty was overthrown the women of Canton, especially those in the city proper, took steps toward the enactment of laws which would give them the right to vote. White women, members of the International Suffrage movement, who were in Canton several months ago, aided the Chinese women in planning and carrying on their campaign. It is now thought that the lot of Chinese women will be much happier in the future, as they will have influence to change laws to the betterment of conditions as far as their sex is concerned.

Captain Bradley, D.S.O. Captain R. W. Bradley, D.S.O., South Wales Borderers, has been appointed an officer of a company of cadets at the Royal Military College, Woolwich.

SERVICE MATTERS.

Appointed to the Merlin. Lieutenant C. A. Browne has been appointed to the Merlin, surveying ship on the China Station, to fill a vacancy in her complement. Lieutenant Browne is a cadet of September, 1905, and reached his present rank in 1910.

Lieut. Fitzroy, R.G.A. Lieut. R. H. Fitzroy, Royal Garrison Artillery, posted to No. 87 Company, Hongkong, has been in the service for a little over 12 years—so slow observes the "L. and C. Express" has been promotion in the Royal Artillery in the past few years.

Naval Ship-building. Sir Francis Hopwood, Additional Civil Lord of the Admiralty, and Sir James Marshall, Director of Dockyards and Dockyard Work, have visited the dockyards with a view to arranging the programme of shipbuilding and refers to be provided for in the next Estimates.

H.M.S. Beaver's Accident. H.M. destroyer Beaver, which went ashore off the Norfolk coast on December 21 and refloated, arrived at Portsmouth on the 23rd ult. for overhaul and repairs. She sustained some damage to her bows, but not of a serious character, and made the journey round under her own steam, being taken to the tidal basin of the dockyard as a preliminary to being placed in dry dock.

The China Commands. It is stated that the military distinctions between the North China Command and the South China Command are to be abolished and the commands amalgamated and controlled from a common centre. This is said to be some of the results of Sir Ian Hamilton's last tour of inspection in the Far East. Whilst Sir Ian was in China and the Far East he very carefully went into the question of the existing defence schemes of the chief ports there and the provisions made generally for a naval war.

Colonel Koe. Lieutenant-Colonel L. C. Koe, commandant, Legion Guard, Peking, who has been promoted to colonel by brevet, has had a varied career, says the "London and China Express." Joining the Royal Irish Regiment in 1882, he served therein until 1894, when he retired, and was appointed to the Reserve of Officers. Recalled from the latter during the Boer War, he was subsequently appointed to a majority in the Royal Garrison Regiment in 1902, and was placed on half-pay in 1905. From 1906 until 1909 he was employed with the Ceylon Volunteers, and was appointed to his present post in January, 1911. He has the Soudan, Hazara, and Benin expeditions to his credit, and was severely wounded in the latter.

The Naval Manning Problem. During recent months we have referred to the naval manning problems on many occasions, says "The Globe," and the assurance of the Prime Minister and First Lord of the Admiralty that a condition of the Canadian gift is to be that the ships shall be additional to the programme of the Motherland makes the manning question an important and urgent matter. We are afraid that so far as the present recruiting system in Canada is concerned it must be pronounced a failure. Considerably more than 50 per cent. of the men engaged in Canada have deserted or otherwise left the Navy. They prefer shore to ship life, in a land where high wages rule and the freedom of the subject in the backwoods is almost without control. This means that the manning question has to be solved by the Mother Country, for Australians are not coming forward for the naval service in the numbers that it was hoped and expected would be the case. There is a shortage of applicants, and a very large number of men who leave when their first short engagement expires, in spite of all the inducements of pay, &c., that are held out to men born in the Australian and New Zealand Colonies. To those who understand the conditions of Australian life this shortage is not at all surprising. Patriotism may carry a man a long way, but with the poor we must not be astonished if silver and gold carry them further. It is fortunate that our naval training establishments have recently been enlarged.

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The couple arrived at Clifton Forge two minutes too late to catch the Chesapeake and Ohio train. They determined to go to Buchanan, Virginia, fifty miles further on, in the buggy. The horse, however, was fast giving out, and they had not gone far when it died.

As the lovers were debating what next to do an automobile overtook them to Buchanan for 25. They abandoned their buggy, and were soon speeding over roads that were so rough that they frequently found themselves bounding high out of the rear seat of the touring car. The driver found that he could get to Troutville easier, as the roads he believed to be better, and after running over and killing a barking dog en route, and causing fright to numerous farm horses, the automobile reached Troutville five minutes before the arrival of a train for Bristol.

Eluding the Detectives. "We boarded the train feeling that we were then in little danger," said Armentrout, in describing their adventures, "but it was only a little while before we saw detectives hunting for us. I went into the smoking car and struck up a conversation with an elderly travelling man. He was going to Bristol.

"I explained to him the plight we were in, and asked his help. We decided that the best thing to do was to have him play 'papa' to Miss Stombach. Going into the other car, he calmly took a seat beside her, and told her of the plan. She was more than glad to call him 'papa' in view of the fact that there was a ride of

the skin crop of the brother," said Dr. W. H. B. Brook, who operated, "was taken from the whole of the front of the thigh on both sides, and it was grafted on the sister's body. The planted strips have taken on, are growing marvellously, and the girl is doing remarkably well."

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THE WHITE SLAVE ACT.

We have before in this column dealt with the Parliamentary enactment popularly known as the White Slave Act, but we are impelled to return to the subject because of the prominence which has recently been given it at the annual meeting in London of the Penal Reform League. That the matter should have been raised at this gathering was only natural, for in any review of the progress made in the struggle between the forces of crime and those of its repression or prevention, such a strengthening of the law as is secured by the new Act could not well go unnoticed. What we are surprised at, however, is that the speakers at the meeting should, practically without exception, denounce the attempt made in Parliament to punish offenders under the Act, after a first conviction, with a well-deserved flogging.

On this point of flogging, much is made of the argument that it degrades the person receiving it. This, indeed, was the line taken up by the chairman, Professor Sir John Macdonell. Yet he admitted that the crimes which *souteneurs* commit were more heinous, in his mind, than many murders for which men had suffered, adding "It is a crime marked by every possible evil when a person, deliberately, in cold blood, destroys a fellow-creature, body and soul." To talk of "degrading" men who make their living by the commission of crimes aptly described as worse than murder, is to betray a softness of heart which does no credit to the head. Wretches of this type it is impossible to degrade any further, but an introduction to the efficacy of the "cat" in inflicting bodily pain, might at least instil into them genuine fear and tend to bring them to their senses. Another speaker, a clergyman, protested against the clauses empowering flogging, on the ground that he did not think the administrators of the law had any right, "especially in a country which professed to call itself Christian," to flog even the most hardened criminal until it had exhausted every possible method of turning him into "a self-respecting citizen." We almost doubt if the suggested transformation could, by any means whatever, be made in the case of a wretch who has for any length of time engaged in this abominable business; certain are we that mere imprisonment will not cure the hardened brute who has gone so far as to be twice convicted under the Act. And it has to be remembered that only after two convictions can flogging be imposed.

Personally, we would have liked to see flogging made the punishment after one conviction, but we realise that, in this matter, half a loaf is better than no bread. That the Act is having a good effect is apparent from the fact that on its coming into force many notorious bullies left the shores of England, and we notice that France is much concerned over the new and undesirable arrivals from London. The matter is to be brought up in the French Chamber, if indeed it has not already been. Our hope is that French legislators will take a leaf out of England's book in dealing with these scunks whose sole means of livelihood is the prostitution of others.

Their own Petard.

A piquant political situation is disclosed in this morning's telegrams. Many radicals, we are told, are angry at the possibility of Women's Suffrage passing under the Parliament Act. Presumably they fear that Sir Edward Grey's amendment will be carried and they foresee themselves in a cleft stick. The Government can either accept defeat, and resign, or accept the amendment and stand god-father to it after.

Should the Lords throw out the Bill, the Government, to win its own way, must put the Parliament Act into operation, and carry the hated amendment with them. There is something in this situation which tickles one immensely. The Parliament Act, which was an instrument of reform two years ago, has now become an instrument of terror to its own inventors. The Liberal rank and file must be beginning to doubt the wisdom of its leaders.

Turkey's Capitulation.

The game is up with Turkey. She has practically resigned herself to the inevitable, and Adrianople, as well, perhaps, as the Aegean Islands, will have to be handed over to her allied foes.

In this column three or four days since we remarked that the pill might be a bitter one but would have to be swallowed. Turkey is preparing to take the unpleasant dose, but it is apparent that she does not like the task. Telegrams say that the reply to the Powers' Note will not be a straightforward acceptance of its suggestions, but that the Porte will make certain reservations with a view to further discussion. As we see it, however, the day for further parleying is past. Neither the Powers nor the Allies are in a mood to permit a further prolongation of the present suspense.

The time has come for Turkey to make the big surrender. She knows it. But she is vainly trying to put off the evil day.

A Danger to the Public.

We do not expect that life can be made as easy for the wayfarer in Hongkong streets as it is in those of London or Liverpool, but we really think the police might insist that a few general by-laws for the safety of the public should be observed by coolies whose work it is to carry burdens along the various thoroughfares of the Colony. Twice lately we have seen the end of a bamboo jammed into the face of a foot-passenger (one case being that of a lady) by a heedless coolie, who ought not to have been on the pavement at all; and the same kind of thing is probably happening a score of times in a week. Another practice, more dangerous even than the irresponsible swinging round of bamboos, is that of allowing long iron rods to be carried—anyhow and at any angle—in crowded streets. Yesterday one of these rods, at least twelve feet in length, was being carried over the shoulder of a mere boy; the hind end of it trailed along the road, while the other end pointed upwards at an angle very convenient for poking out the eye of any passenger by chair or rickshaw. One European just dodged it by a bare half inch. Can the police do nothing to prevent this sort of thing?

Education and Crime.

Folk who are education-mad are always telling us that ignorance is the great ally of crime and vice, and that the criminal type must disappear before advancing civilisation. Must it? We have a sort of idea that forgery, falsification, criminal libel, betting frauds and confidence tricks are slightly more common than they were when the world was in the darkness and blindness of ignorance. We are also of opinion that the old-fashioned type of burglar, who trusted in his good bludgeon and cold-chisel, was very considerably less of an enemy to society than those highly scientific gentlemen who, like the Hobson safe-robbers, furnish themselves with blow-pipes, batteries, gas cylinders etc., when they are out after "swag." This, look you, is the "march of education."

No Hurry.

A short-sighted old lady in a hurry to mount a tram-car held up her umbrella and shouted to the driver of a passing vehicle, "Stop!" to which the driver replied, "Don't be in a hurry, missus, it ain't your turn yet." It was a "hurrah."

DAY BY DAY.

There would be far fewer sorrows among mankind if men made less use of their imaginations in recalling the memory of past sorrows than in bearing patiently their present lot.

From Home.

Colonel and Miss Tracy arrived from Southampton by the s.s. Bremen to-day.

The Persia.

The s.s. Persia, of the Pacific Mail Steamship Co., left the ways at Taikoo Docks this morning, after having been overhauled.

Stole \$25.

A Chinese who stole \$25 from an Indian was sent to goal for three months and ordered four hours stocks at the Police Court.

Arrived from Tonkin.

Monsieur Andre Ducamp, who is one of the Tribunal Judges, and also Vice-President of the Chamber of Commerce in Tonkin, arrived in this Colony to-day.

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Judgment By Consent.

Judgment was given by consent in the case of Kennedy v.

R.M.O. Gutierrez, concerning a

claim for \$24,52, in the Sum-

mary Court, this morning, by

Mr. Justice Gompertz.

Interesting Visitor.

Captain G. Rabier, of the 2nd French Army Corps, who holds the position of Superintendent of the French police at Shanghai, passed through the colony yesterday en route for Hanoi.

Contravention of Opium

Ordinance.

At the Police Court, this morning, before Mr. F. A. Hazelton, an old Chinese was fined in the aggregate \$71, or in default two months imprisonment, for offences against the Opium Ordinance.

Novelist arrives.

Miss Alice Schaleck, who has written many books of travel, and several novels, has arrived by the s.s. Bremen, and intends studying Eastern conditions. Her stay in Hongkong will depend upon the amount of material she can get.

An Unlawful Practice.

A man was charged before Mr. F. A. Hazelton, at the Police Court, this morning, with being in possession of dried opium and selling the same without authority. He was fined \$50 on in default a month on each charge.

Dismissed.

The two Chinese who were charged with converting twenty-five blocks of tin from the P. & O. s.s. Assaye, were dismissed at the Police Court, the charge being, withdrawn in consequence of the principal witness having died.

Jeered at the Police.

A number of shopkeepers were fined \$10 each at the Police Court, this morning by Mr. F. A. Hazelton, for causing an obstruction by leaving their shutters outside. It was stated that three of them laughed and jeered at the European constable who commanded them.

Visitors.

Major Menzies, an ex-officer of the English Army, has arrived in the Colony from Swatow and intends to remain for a few days. Dr. and Mrs. Gibson arrived to-day from Swatow, and intend leaving for Canton to-night. Dr. Gibson is interested in sanitary conditions in South China.

Mr. J. H. Lewis, Estate.

Mr. John Lewis, of Elm House, Hythe, Kent, and formerly of the firm of Messrs. Douglas Lapraik and Co., of Hongkong, who died on October 28 last, left estate of the gross value of £17,046, of which £16,428 is net personal, and probate of his will has now been granted.

Hongkong Jockey Club.

Members are reminded that entries for the next Race Meeting, close to Mr. T. F. Hough, clerk of the course, to-morrow. Those entering ponies are requested to send their entries to the office of the Hongkong Jockey Club, No. 3 Chater Road, Ground floor of the Hongkong Club Annex, before 2 p.m.

Junks Capsized.

The master of a stone junk has reported to the police that on the 22nd inst., whilst sailing from Macao to Hongkong, the junk was capsized and sank. A cargo of 525 piculs of fish scales was lost. The trouble occurred near Cheung Chau Island. The master of the junk has reported to the police that whilst off Cheung Chau Island his junk was capsized and his cargo lost.

LETTER-STEALING.

New Style of Theft at the Post Office.

An interesting form of theft was discovered in operation this morning at the Post Office when it was found that someone had introduced some sticky substance into the foreign letter chutes for the purpose of preventing letters falling into the customary receptacle in the basement of the building.

The present style of chute, which is very long, and communicates with a basket or a bag to catch the letters, was designed to prevent thieves abstracting communications by means of the leaded line. In the instance that was discovered this morning a jelly-like substance, together with a piece of paper, was put some distance down the chute, so that letters were stopped, to await removal.

We understand that it was discovered on complaint being made by a gentleman, who had posted some letters, that they had not fallen properly and when an examination was made, it was found that a clever attempt at theft had been made.

Mr. M. Messer, the Postmaster-General, explained to a representative of the "Hongkong Telegraph" that the work of placing the sticky substance must have been done last night and said that the robberies were probably carried out for the purpose of obtaining the stamps. He added that every care would be taken that such an affair should not occur again.

THE FULL COURT.

Last Appeal of the Present Sessions.

The last appeal of the sessions was commenced this afternoon in the Full Court before Sir Haviland de Saumarez, president, Sir William Rees Davies K.C., the Chief Justice, and Mr. Justice Gompertz, the Puisne Judge.

The case was one in which Kan Kung Chi was appellant, and Kwok Siu Lau respondent.

The appellant applied that a judgment of November 12, 1912, be reversed in so far as it directed that a lease, dated March 1, 1911, and made between Mr. H. Seth on the one part, and the plaintiff on the other, was null and void as against Kwok Siu Lau, by virtue of the provisions of Ordinance 1 of 1844, and that his assignment, dated January 17, 1912, between the executrix and executors of the late Wei A Kwong on the one part and Kwok Siu Lau on the other part, has priority over the said lease by virtue of the provisions of the same ordinance.

It was also asked that the judgment should be reversed in so far as it directed that the plaintiff was entitled to the possession of the premises known as No. 256 Queen's Road Central.

Mr. Eldon Potter, instructed by Mr. Otto Kong Sing, appeared for the appellant, and Mr. A. W. Slade K.C., with whom was Mr. O. G. Alabaster, instructed by Mr. G. K. Hall Bruton, for the respondent.

This case is not expected to be a long one.

THE BREMEN.

Big German Liner Arrives.

The N.D.L. s.s. Bremen arrived early to-day on her first visit to the port. Previously the Bremen, which is the largest German boat on this route, was on the run from Bremenhaven to Australia, but owing to the exigencies of passenger traffic to the East, the N.D.L. Co. decided to use the Bremen on this route.

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PRINCE'S TRAVEL

INCOGNITO.

Under their titles of Graf Georg and Graf Conrad, which they have taken as incognitos, Prince Georg and Prince Conrad, of Bavaria, arrived on the s.s. Bremen to-day, on their way to Java, to do some big game shooting. They expect to remain in the East for some time.

A PACK OF LIES.

Amah Whose Story was Disbelieved.

Mr. Justice Gompertz expressed complete disbelief in the story that was told him by a discharged amah in the Summary Court this morning in her claim for wages in lieu of notice.

Tee San brought an action against Mrs. Tollan, claiming eleven dollars, being a month's wages in place of notice.

The defendant denied liability.

Plaintiff in the box said that she entered the defendant's service on Nov. 27 of last year, her wages being fixed at the rate of \$11 per month. She stayed until January 4, "when they dismissed me. They beat me and drove me out," said the plaintiff.

His Lordship:—When did you last get your wages?

Plaintiff:—I never got any.

Not a Cash.

His Lordship:—Not a cash? No.

His Lordship:—What reason did they give for dismissing you?—They wanted me to darn stockings after twelve at night and I refused to do it, and asked for my wages.

His Lordship:—What were your duties?—General amah.

His Lordship:—Have you any witness?—No, the cook saw that I was struck but I don't know whether he will say so.

His Lordship:—Who struck you?—My mistress.

His Lordship:—Not the master?—No, the mistress struck me; she struck me three times.

His Lordship:—You say the cook saw it?—Yes, but I don't know whether he will say so.

The defendant, said Mr. Lewis, was a shoemaker, according to his information, carrying on business in Hollywood Road, where he had four fokis. On the day he was arrested he went to Hung Hom to collect some money owing to him by a friend in the cement factory. On his way, before crossing to Hung Hom, he met another friend and had tea with him. He spent all the money he had

BOXER IN COURT.

Charge of Carrying a Sporting Gun Dismissed.

Jack Cordell, the Champion Middleweight boxer of the Orient and the Pacific Coast, and Alexander Grant, a revenue officer, were charged before Mr. Hazelton to-day with being in possession and carrying about a sporting gun without a permit, on the Shaukiwan Road, on the 19th inst.

Inspector Gourlay prosecuted, and Mr. J. H. Gardiner defended. Mr. Gardiner pleaded not guilty, and said one was exempted. According to the Ordinance he was an excise officer.

Inspector Gourlay:—Not to carry a fowling piece—arms used with their duties.

Mr. Gardiner:—It does not say so in the Ordinance.

His Worship:—The Ordinance exempts every such body. If I had a fowling piece I am an exempted person.

Discharged.

Mr. Gardiner:—You can carry either a revolver or a fowling piece.

Inspector Gourlay:—If I cannot prove that, I will prefer another charge later on.

Mr. Gardiner:—Will your Worship discharge No. 2. (Grant)?

His Worship: I do not know if it is a point of law.

Mr. Gardiner:—The ordinance does not define arms at all.

His Worship:—No, it does not define arms; anyhow, you withdraw the summons against Grant?

Inspector Gourlay:—Yes.

His Worship (to Grant) You are discharged.

Explaining to his Worship the circumstances of the case against the remaining defendant Inspector Gourlay said the story was to the effect that he, along with another, shot birds on the road, and some of the pellets fell near two ladies who were walking along the road.

Boy's Evidence.

A boy, twelve years of age, said he lived at Tsat Sze Mui village. He could not recognise the defendant. He recognised him on the 10th inst. but could not do so now because it was so long ago since he saw him. He could see the defendant very plainly now, but for all that, he could not recognise him. He identified a man at the Belle View Hotel, on the 10th in the presence of Inspector Gourlay. The day before he had seen the man shoot a bird on the praya. He was sure the man had a gun. This was shortly after five o'clock in the evening. He saw two men but only one had a gun. He could not recognise the other man (Grant who was called into Court). He picked up six birds for the man. The shooting stopped about 5.30 p.m.

Said He was the man.

Inspector Gourlay said that on the 10th inst. about seven o'clock in the evening he saw the defendant in the dining room of the Belle View Hotel. The first witness pointed him out. There was only one man in the dining room and that was the defendant. A few minutes before this he saw the defendant in another part of the hotel. He asked him if he was Mr. Cordell and defendant answered yes. He asked him if he was out shooting "yesterday" (yesterday with Mr. Grant). Defendant said he was out with a man but he did not know his name. When the name Grant was mentioned again defendant said he thought that was the name. Later he took the boy to the dining room and he said that was the man.

By Mr. Gardiner:—He took the boy who had given evidence straight to the room where Cordell was. He did not take the boy to anyone else.

Defendant in the box said his name was Jack Cordell. He was a professional boxer. He had never had any sort of gun in this Colony. He never fired a shot whilst in the Colony.

By Inspector Gourlay: He did not tell him (the inspector) he was out with Mr. Grant, that Grant left him the gun. He did not see him shoot at all. He had never been out shooting with Grant.

His Worship:—The summons will be dismissed.

LOCAL SPORT.

FOOTBALL.
Interport Team.

The following have been selected to represent Hongkong in the forthcoming Interport Association Football Match to be played in Shanghai on the 6th and 7th of February (Chinese New Year Holidays);—

Messrs. R. C. Barlow (Capt.), W. V. Pennell, A. Hamilton, D. Campbell, C. Wilkie, R. J. Brown, R. S. R. Swan, Pearson, Lewis, Culmer, Green, and Dollmann. Mr. A. S. Ellis (Hon. Secretary) will also travel with the team.

The Interport team will leave Hongkong by the S. S. "Anhui" sailing on Saturday February 1 (midnight). There will be a special launch to convey the team on board, leaving Blake Pier on the night of February 1 at 10 p.m. sharp.

Mr. F. X. D'Almada:—I understand the defendants are about to close their establishment.

Mr. Leo D'Almada:—My friend has his remedy; an interim attachment.

His Lordship:—You can apply for security; are you going to sell the business?

Mr. Goldring:—I have a case against the same defendants, and my instructions are that they are closing down.

Mr. Leo D'Almada:—They have their remedy.

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The case was proceeding as we went to press.

TWO CLAIMS.

Cases Against the "China News."

Two cases against the "Chung Wah San Po" or the "China News" interested the Summary Court, this morning. The first case was that of the Wah Yick, for whom Mr. F. X. D'Almada e Castro appeared and preferred a claim for \$98.33; and the second was that of the Wo Shing, represented by Mr. P. W. Goldring, for \$168.

Mr. Leo D'Almada e Castro appeared for the defence, and asked for adjournment for a week.

Mr. F. X. D'Almada:—I understand the defendants are about to close their establishment.

Mr. Leo D'Almada:—My friend has his remedy; an interim attachment.

His Lordship:—You can apply for security; are you going to sell the business?

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CRICKET.

Civil Service "A" v. Police R. C.

The following team will represent C. S. C. "A" on Police Ground: Messrs. E. F. Gibson, J. S. Little, H. Ellis, J. Tacchi, W. Elmond, C. Sarn, J. McKay, F. Bacon, A. Poster, A. G. Pile and E. W. Dawson.

Yachting.

The entries for the inter-club yacht race held in connection with the Corinthian Yacht Club, close this evening at 6 o'clock.

ARMS ON BOARD.

Before Mr. C. D. Melbourne, at the Police Court, this morning, a junkmaster was charged by European constable 47, with having on board two guns (very old), a small quantity of gunpowder and dynamite and bullets, without a permit. When his junk was visited by the police he denied that he had any arms or ammunition on board. On a search being made the articles mentioned were found. Defendant was fined \$50 or in default six weeks, and the arms etc. were confiscated.

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To-day's Advertisements.

NOTICE.

G. R.

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W. CHATHAM,
Director of Public Works,
Public Works Office,
Hongkong, 23rd Jan., 1913.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

MEMBERS are reminded that Entries for the next Races meeting Saturday the 26th inst. Those entering ponies are required to send the Entries to the office of the Hongkong Jockey Club, No. 3 Clarendon Road, Ground Floor of the Hongkong Club Annex, before 2 p.m.

By Order
T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course
Hongkong, 24th Jan., 1913.

NOTICE.

IT has been decided to form a St. Patrick's Society in Hongkong and with a view thereto all Irishmen in the Colony are requested to at once furnish their names and addresses to A. H. G. Jackson of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master or to D. E. Donnelly of Messrs. Garner Quelch & Co. If sufficient response is forthcoming hereto a meeting will be held on a date to be arranged of which due notice will be given.

Hongkong, 24th Jan., 1913.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"BREMEN,"

having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and West Point Godown, whence delivery may be obtained.

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SANDAKAN MAUSANG Friday, 24th Jan., 3 p.m.
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SHAGNJA WINGSANG Tuesday, 28th Jan., at daylight.
MANILA YUENSANG Saturday, 1st Feb., 2 p.m.
SINGAPORE, PENANG FOOKSANG Thursday, 6th Feb., at Noon.
& CALCUTTA FOOKSANG Thursday, 6th Feb., at Noon.

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CALCUTTA &c.	HAKATA MARU	T. 12,500	SATURDAY, 26th January.
	(Capt. H. Nomura)		
AMERICA &c.	YOKOHAMA MARU	T. 12,500	TUESDAY, 28th Jan., at Noon.
	(Capt. K. Noda)		
SHANGHAI	SINABA MARU	T. 12,500	TUESDAY, 11th Feb., at Noon.
KOBE & YOKO.	TOTOMI MARU	T. 5,000	WEDNESDAY, 20th Jan., at daylight.
	(Capt. A. Mocker)		
EUROPE &c.	MOJI & KORE	T. 12,500	THURSDAY, 29th Jan., at 11 a.m.
	(Capt. K. Noda)		
BOMBAY via Singapore and Colombo	KAWACHI MARU	T. 12,500	MONDAY, 3rd February.
	(Capt. A. Christiansen)		
SHANGHAI	KIRIN MARU	T. 5,000	MONDAY, 3rd February.
KOBE & YOKO.	YOKOHAMA	T. 5,000	MONDAY, 3rd February.
N'AKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	KUMANO MARU	T. 9,800	WEDNESDAY, 12th Feb., at Noon.
	(Capt. M. Winckler)		
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FOR EUROPE.

Steamer	Tons displacement	Leaving H.K.
Mishima Maru	16,000	29th January.
Kaga Maru	12,600	12th February.
Atsuta Maru	18,000	26th February.
Hiuchi Maru	18,000	12th March.
Miyazaki Maru	16,000	26th March.
Kitano Maru	16,000	9th April.
Iyo Maru	12,600	23rd April.
Mizuno Maru	18,000	7th May.
Tango Maru	18,000	21st May.

FOR AMERICA.

Steamer	Tons displacement	Leaving H.K.
Isobu Maru	12,600	11th February.
Shidzuka Maru	12,600	26th February.
Tama Maru	12,600	11th March.
Awa Maru	12,600	25th March.
Sado Maru	12,600	6th April.
Yokohama Maru	12,600	23rd April.
Inaba Maru	12,600	6th May.
Shidzuka Maru	12,600	20th May.

(Subject to change without notice.)

T. KUSUMOTO, Manager.

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LOG BOOK.

Salvage Actions.

In the Admiralty Court last month a number of consolidated actions were brought to recover salvage remuneration for services rendered to the Glasgow steamship "Glenroy," after she had been in collision with the Dutch steamship "Rijnstroom," in the River Humber, off the Alexandra Dock at Hull, on the night of Nov. 2 last. The collision resulted in the "Rijnstroom" being found alone to blame. The plaintiffs in the present actions were the owners, masters, and crews of several steam-tugs. The award which the President made was as follows:—Diplomat, £240; Minas, £210; Hutton, £125; Clansman, £135; the Hull and the Dock Authority, £385—of that I give £50 to the master and crew of the Hull; Mr. Wheeldon, £238, to include £138 expenses; Mr. Spink £50, and Mr. Collin £25—making a total award of £1,708.

Clyde Shipbuilding.

The annual returns of shipbuilding and engineering on the Clyde are now practically complete, and they show the largest output yet recorded for a single river in any country. On Clydeside no fewer than 381 vessels were launched this year with a total tonnage of 642,214, and increase of nearly 12,000 tons over last year. Marine engineering had also a "record" year, the output of machinery totalling 877,125 indicated horse-power, an increase of nearly 80,000 horse-power. Messrs. John Brown & Co., Clydeside, were easily first for marine machinery. The tonnage of vessels launched represents more than Germany's complete output last year, and twice that of the United States. The prospects for the Clyde during the coming year are extremely good. The year is closing with practically every berth occupied, and barring labour disputes, another "record" should be established.

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London and Antwerp via Singapore, &c.	Sunda	P. & O. Co.	5 Feb., about
Havre and Hamburg, &c.	Altmark	H. A. L.	6 February
Havre, Bremen and Hamburg, &c.	Brigavia	H. A. L.	8 March
Rotterdam, Bremen and Hamburg, &c.	Fuerst Buelow	H. A. L.	28 January
Mexico, Peruvian and Chile via Japan	Kiyo Maru	T. K. K.	1 February
Cape Ports via Mauritius	Duneric	Bank Line	End of February
Copenhagen and Baltic Ports	Canton	A. N. & Co.	30 January
Marseilles	Goldenfels	H. A. L.	10 February
Trieste, &c.	Bohemia	S. W. & Co.	13 February
Trieste, Fiume, Venice via Singapore, &c.	Vorwaerts	S. W. & Co.	1 Feb., about
Marseilles, London and Antwerp	Mishima Maru	N. Y. K.	29 January

New York, San Francisco and Canada.

Boston and New York	Lovat	D. & Co.	28 Jan., about
San Francisco via Shanghai and Japan, &c.	Persia	P. M. Co.	28 January
do do do do	Kojo	P. M. Co.	4 February
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New York via Suez Canal	Indrawadi	J. M. & Co.	10 Jan., about
Victoria, B.C., and Tacoma via Keelung, &c.	Mexico Maru	O. S. K.	5 February
Vicoria, B.C., and Seattle via Shanghai, &c.	Yokohama Maru	N. Y. K.	28 January
Victoria, Vancouver, B.C., Seattle & Tacoma, &c.	Ockley	Bank Line	29 January
Vancouver	Montesque	C. P. R. Co.	8 March
Vancouver via Shanghai and Japan, &c.	Empress of Japan	C. P. R. Co.	8 February
Vancouver B.C., and Portland (Or.)	Sithonia	H. A. L.	23 March

Australia.

Australian Ports via Manila	Coblenz	M. & Co.	25 January
do do do	Eastern	G. L. & Co.	1 February
do do do	Nikko Maru	N. Y. K.	12 February
do do do	Changsha	B. & S.	3 February

Singapore, Coast Ports and Japan.

Batavia, Cheribon, Samarang, &c.	Titaroem	J. C. J. L.	Quick despatch
do do do	Tjumshi	J. C. J. L.	Quick despatch
Singapore, Penang and Rangoon	Upada	J. M. & Co.	27 January
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	Dilwara	D. S. & Co.	24 January
Singapore, Penang, Rangoon and Calcutta	Hakata Maru	N. Y. K.	25 January
Sandakad	Mausang	J. M. & Co.	24 January
Bombay	Kawachi Maru	O. S. K.	3 February
Kudat and Sandakan	Borneo	M. & Co.	Beg. of February
Japan	Tjiliwong	J. C. J. L.	Quick despatch
Kobe and Moji	Japan	D. S. & Co.	30 January
Kobe and Yokohama	Hitachi Maru	N. Y. K.	30 January
do do	Prinz Sigismund	M. & Co.	4 Feb., about
Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama	Kumazo Maru	N. Y. K.	12 February
Yokohama and Kobe	Fuzilka	J. M. & Co.	7 February
Yokohama and Kobe via Shanghai	E. F. Ferdinand	S. W. & Co.	1 Feb., about
Pukh and Haiphong	Sungkian	B. & S.	24 January
Kwang-chow-wang and Haiphong	M. M. Co.	M. M. Co.	29 January
Anping and Takao via Swatow and Amoy	Soshu Maru	O. S. K.	5 February
Swatow	Haimun	D. L. & Co.	23 January
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hiayang	D. L. & Co.	24 January
do do do	Naiching	D. L. & Co.	28 January
Tamai via Swatow and Amoy	Haitan	D. L. & Co.	31 January
Foochow via Swatow and Amoy	Daigai Maru	O. S. K.	26 January
Manila	Kaijo Maru	O. S. K.	29 January
do	Yuenyang	J. M. & Co.	25 January
Manila, Cebu and Illoilo	Tean	B. & S.	28 January
Manila, Mangarin, Illoilo and Cebu	Rubi	S. T. & Co.	27 January
do do do	Zafiro	S. T. & Co.	5 February
Ningpo and Shanghai	Changshou	B. & S.	25 January
Shanghai, Moji and Kobe	Toemji Maru	N. Y. K.	29 January
Shanghai, Kobe and Moji	Thengwa	D. S. & Co.	14 February
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MR. LLOYD GEORGE.

Welsh Paper's Attack.

The bitterest attack on the Welsh party and the Liberal Government which has ever appeared in a Radical paper is contained in a vigorous editorial in a recent issue of the "Genedl Gymreig." This is the most powerful of the Welsh papers, is published at Carnarvon, was once controlled by Mr. Lloyd George, and is still regarded as being a strong upholder of his policy. After detailing the circumstances of the Government's surrender on the Welsh Church Bill, the "Genedl" says:—

Is it not time that Wales should speak out plainly to the Welsh members, to English Liberals, and to the Government which includes five Welsh members? Are the sacrifices of Welsh electors to return Liberals to Parliament to prove in vain? Are the speeches of Welsh members at election times to be nothing but empty promises? Since the General Election in 1906 the Welsh members have received

more honours in the form of titles and office than ever before fell to the lot of all the representatives from Wales taken together. Was it for this they were elected? What would it benefit Wales if every member received title or office if her representatives do not work her will in Parliament? As to the speeches of Sir Brynmor Jones and Sir Herbert Roberts it were better they had never been delivered. . . . If these speeches mean anything they mean that Disestablishment without Disendowment is quite enough. Will they come down to Wales to preach this doctrine to the electors?

Outlining what must be the policy of the Welsh members for the future, it says they must speak and vote against all proposals for concessions. If the Government accedes to demands for such concessions the Welsh members must give warning that they will not accept a mutilated bill and demand that it be dropped. Mr. Lloyd George and his Welsh colleagues in the Ministry must then resign office as they are publicly pledged to do. The Welsh members must go into opposition and vote solidly against Home Rule and every other Government measure.

AMERICA AND THE
PHILIPPINES.

The importance to the Filipino people of the work of the Americans responsible for the government of the islands is strikingly shown, says the "L. and C. Express" in the measures taken to obviate a famine as the result of the failure of the rice crop and the efforts to prevent a recurrence of such a situation. The annual report recently received by the Iloilo-Bureau shows that the production of rice in the Philippines for more than ten years past has fallen far short of the amount required to meet the demand for this chief food staple of the majority of the Filipino people. Last year it will be remembered the Government were authorised to purchase rice for sale at cost price, and at the same time the insular legislature directed the Governor-General to recommend to it

measures of a permanent character to assure an adequate supply of foodstuffs. While a solution has not yet been reached that would prevent a recurrence of the very serious shortage of the main food staple, rice, much interest attaches to the active efforts that are being made in this direction. To begin with, a campaign of education has been carried on by the Bureau of Education to generate the use of Indian corn or maize as a food substitute for rice. Perhaps the most lasting harm caused by the existing conditions is that the people, owing to the failure of their own crop and having no other resources, are forced to leave their fields and homes and seek employment elsewhere to secure food. The natural movement under these conditions is to the large centres of population where employment may be had.

Carried Off by Aeroplane.
Miss E. C. Pimlott, a professional nurse, of Hipperholme, near Halifax, was awarded at a sheriff's court at Leeds, £175 damaged against Mr. R. J. Jackson, a Leeds engineer, for injuries sustained by being run into by his aeroplane. Miss Pimlott said that she was on the sands at Filey when she saw the aeroplane coming straight towards her. She tried to get out of the way, but was caught and picked up by one of the wings. She remembered seeing the sea, but then lost consciousness. When she recovered she was in a convalescent home.

ENGLISH AIRMAN'S FATE.

Death in a Gale on the Yorkshire Coast.

Mr. Edward Petre, the airman, was killed on December 24 at Marske, on the north Yorkshire coast, while attempting to make a non-stop flight from the Brooklands flying ground at Weybridge, Surrey, to Edinburgh.

He started in a Martin-Hind aero monoplane at 2.15 a.m., and reached Yorkshire safely. Passing over Hartlepool, where there was then a gale blowing, and a number of the villagers of Marske saw that the airman was in difficulties. A gust of wind turned the machine, and a second gust is said to have caught the tail of the monoplane and swung it round.

The machine then fell with such force that half the engines became embedded in a field, while the woodwork in the frame was smashed, and the tail was the only portion not entirely wrecked. Mr. Petre's neck was dislocated, and death must have been instantaneous.

According to eye-witnesses, Mr. Petre made a desperate struggle in mid-air for his life. Again, they state, he glided and circled, and then beat up against the gale. Sometimes he would swoop down towards a field, only to be lifted up again by the wind. Once a safe descent appeared to be almost certain, the machine being but a few feet from soft pasture, but a gust took him upwards once more. His struggles before the last fatal dive were magnificent.

Mr. Petre, who was only twenty-six, was a member of a very old Roman Catholic family. He was the second son of Mr. S. H. Petre, solicitor, of Ingateshaw, Essex, grandson of the Hon. H. W. Petre, of Springfield Lawn, Essex, and a first cousin once removed of Lord Petre. He was an instructor at Brooklands, and had been engaged for some time past in testing machines for the War Office. His brother, Mr. Henry Aloysius Petre, also an airman, was killed in a flying accident in 1909.

Mr. Petre had now been on the field for two months, having started in September last, and they were already preparing for starting boring operations. An English expedition was sent out from England immediately after the company was formed, but owing to difficulties in regard to transport, they had been compelled to wait until the end of December in order to send the expedition over the ice. The Russian Government had done everything in their power to assist the company and its expedition; in fact, they received only the day before a wire from the Government of Sakhalin that it was going to send their men overland and do the necessary preparatory work for them. Thus they expected by February to be able to start the boring operations. The promoters and vendors of the company had taken up half of the working capital, and arrangements were now being made by the board that they should take up the whole of the working capital which was left unissued.

NEW YORK WOMEN.

Best Dressed in the World.

New York December 16.—Although he has been in New York many times before, Sir Thomas Lipton has just announced that he thinks the women of this city are the best dressed in the world "but," he adds, "where do they get the money to buy the clothes?" He is equally certain that they are the most brilliant and intellectual on the globe. Why he continued "they can talk on any subject, and make it interesting."

NEW EDISON BATTERY.

West Orange (N. J.), December 16.—The Edison storage battery car achieved a new mark to-day when it climbed the side of Orange mountain, nearly a mile, and up grades as steep as 9.12 per cent. Today's test was informal, but on Thursday an official test will be made with Thomas A. Edison and officials of the Public Service Corporation aboard. President Frank Brewer of the mountain Railway said after the test:

"It cost us 50 cents to make a round trip from Valley Road to Rock Springs. With the Edison, on the expenditure of power was five kilowatts, at 1 cent a kilowatt, cutting the cost of operation 90 per cent."

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COMMERCIAL.

Gula-Kalumpong Rubber Estates.

Home Commercial and Produce Market.

December 27.

The Bank rate remains unchanged at 5 per cent. The Open market rate for short loans is 4 per cent, and discount of four months' Bank bills 4 per cent. The tone of the Silver market has been distinctly heavy, notwithstanding that supplies have been more plentiful, and bars are now quoted 28-15-16d. per oz. The Rubber share market has been quiet, in common with all other departments of the Stock Exchange, but it has

been very firm. Messrs. Keller, Wallis and Co. notify that as from Jan 1, 1913, the style of the firm will be Keller, Bryant and Co., the partners remaining un-

changed. The Produce Markets have been interfered with by the Christmas holidays, and many of the usual public auctions are suspended.

Coffee is quiet, but steady. In Sugar, a small business has taken place at prices showing a little change. Both Singapore Pepper and White Pepper are practically without alteration, being quiet but steady.

Rice quiet and prices unchanged. Manila Hemp is firm, and little business has transpired. Plantation Rubber has been firm and dearer, good average sheet being quoted at about 4s. 6d. per lb. Fine Hard Para is 4s. 7d. per lb. Straits Tin is £227 15s. to £228 5s. for cash £228 to £228 10s. for three months.

Chinese Finance.

London Dec. 27.

Mr. F. A. Aglen, Inspector-General of the Chinese Maritime Customs, has submitted to President Yuan Shih-kai some slight corrections of his recent memorandum in connection with forthcoming payments of loans and indemnities secured on the Customs. The memorandum reckoned the Japanese share of the Boxer indemnity as 18,500 yen, instead of 18,500. On the other hand, later returns show a moderate estimate ought to give the native Customs surplus an extra £1,000,000, namely, £1,000,000, instead of £8,000,000. Moreover, the statement did not allow interest on the large sum of Customs money that have been lying in the banks at Shanghai, nor did it give any consideration to the refund of the American share of the Boxer indemnity. So that, while the error stands for a shortage of £204,000 in the year's income, or £238,000 up to the end of 1912, the extra £1,000,000 adds well over £300,000.

As regards the funds in the banks, it will be remembered that when the Revolutionaries some 12 months ago endeavoured to obtain control of the Customs revenues at the Central and Southern ports it was arranged by International Agreement that the revenues should be paid by the local Commissioners of Customs into the foreign banks at Singha, as a reserve. There these funds accumulated until last month, when Mr. Aglen ordered the payment of £247,230, thereby paying the indemnity in full up to the end of October, 1911. Other of these payments are still in the banks. It is impossible to state exactly what amount of interest will accrue for the rate has to be arranged.

Rice Chartering Activity.

London, Dec. 21. While home-ward business is still difficult to effect, the inquiry all round being on a very small scale, the prospects in the leading trades are somewhat more favourable to owners. The River Plate has taken a turn for the better, as, although the value for prompt loading at San Lorenzo does not exceed 20s, there is a broadening of the demand for January-February positions, followed by a rise of from 21s. 6d. to 22s. and as the prospects are said to be excellent as regards the new crops, owners are confident and anticipate a further rise. America, however, is decidedly quiet with rates on a somewhat lower level, grain from the Northern ports having booked at from 3s. 6d. down to 3s. per qr. for January shipment, while Galveston booked at 4s. and on Form

"O" Savannah secured a steamer at 50s. The feature of the Eastern market was a fairly large inquiry from rice shippers in Burma, who have paid from 31s. 6d. to 32s. 6d. United Kingdom-Continent and 32s. Holland for January-February, and this has given a firmer appearance to India, but the inquiry from that quarter is very limited.

U. S. and Siam—The Newly Appointed Minister.

A telegram was received recently from H. E. Mr. Carpenter, the newly appointed American Minister to Siam, stating that he would arrive in Hongkong about the 8th of this month. He would therefore probably reach Bangkok on or about the 18th. Mr. Fred W. Carpenter of California, secretary to President Taft from 1909 to 1910, was appointed as Minister to Morocco on June 2, 1910, when he retired as Mr. Taft's Secretary. He is a graduate of the University of Minnesota and a member of the bar of Minnesota and California. From 1900 to 1908 he was Secretary to Governor Taft in the Philippines.

Notices

BRITISH NORTH BORNEO GOVERNMENT.

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Copies of the Plans and Specification may be inspected at the Engineer's Office any morning on and after Saturday February 1st 1913.

A set of Copies of the Drawings, Conditions of Contract, Specification, Schedules of Quantities, Bills of Prices and Form of Tender may be obtained at the Engineer's Office on and after Saturday February 8th on presentation of One Hundred Dollars, Straits Currency, returnable on receipt of a Bonafide Tender.

Sealed Tenders, accompanied by the above Documents, and upon the Form provided, must be deposited with the Engineer on or before Monday the 24th of February, 1913 at 12 noon.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

M. B. FRIEDBERGER,

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Engineer.

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6th Jan., 1913. 1053

NOTICE.

WAR DEPARTMENT CONTRACTS.

SEALED TENDERS will be received at the Head Quarter Office Victoria Barracks, Hongkong, until 12 noon on the dates shown against each item, for the undermentioned supplies and services, for the period of one year commencing from 1st April, 1913, except for Barrack Services which is for a period of 10 years.

Transport Services. Tenders to be delivered on 28th Jan., 1913.

Supplies for Hospitals. Tenders to be delivered on 3rd Feb., 1913.

Meat. Forage. * Supplies for Indian Troops. General Supplies "A."

Fuel. Tenders to be delivered on 6th Feb., 1913.

Washing. Barrack Services. General Services "B."

Forms and other particulars can be obtained personally on the hours of 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. or by letter, to the Officer Commanding Army Service Corp, Victoria Barracks. The Tender Forms must be properly filled up, signed and dated, and no Tender will be considered unless made out on the proper Form and delivered at the Head Quarter Office by Noon on the above dates in a closed envelope marked "Tender for _____" and accompanied by a deposit of (5) \$50 or (5) \$10 as a guarantee of good faith; such sum to be forfeited to the State if the Tenderer refuses to accept a Contract allotted to him or if he fails to send in samples or to attend at the Head Quarter Office when called upon.

The right to reject any or all Tenders is specially reserved.

Public Companies

NOTICE.

CHINA EXPRESS CO.

THERE will be a meeting of creditors of the above company at its office, 3, Duddell Street, on Monday Jan. 27th at 5.30 p.m.

R. F. BARRATT,

Receiver.

Hongkong, 22nd Jan. 1913. 125

NOTICE.

UNION WATERBOAT COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE EIGHT ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Offices of Messrs. Dadwell & Co., Ltd., on THURSDAY, the 30th January, 1913 at noon, for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a statement of accounts to 31st December, 1912.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 22nd January to 30th January, both dates inclusive.

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Osaka

MURDER IN PERSIA.

How Captain Eckford Met His Death.

Particulars as to the manner in which Captain Eckford met his death at the hands of the marauding Persian tribesmen near Shiraz are contained in a code telegram from his Majesty's Consul at Shiraz embodying an account drawn up by Major Kettlewell, and the document has been communicated by Sir Edward Grey to Sir J. D. Rees, member for East Nottingham, who had asked if the Government was in possession of such information. The account is as follows:

"Partly consisted of Kettlewell, Eckford, one native officer, 26 sowars, 17 followers, and 17 baggage mules. They started from Khamvezian at 7 a.m., December 11, half an hour after a party of about 150 Persian soldiers, who were marching down the road independently. Twelve men were told off as baggage guards, remainder with officers as advance guard.

"At the bridge over Kazaagach River, Persian officer of the gendarmerie, with two mounted gendarmes who had accompanied Kettlewell to the river, galloped on ahead to inspect gendarmerie post at Burjinturi, on the top of the Sinibahid Pass. Kettlewell also sent on ahead native officer and two sowars to prepare quarters at Dastarjin. Scouts were also posted on wooded hills on the left flank.

"Shot Through Heart.
After short halt party proceeded. Road here runs through jungle for about 1½ miles. Two officers, accompanied by six or seven sowars, had passed beyond jungle, and, just as leading mules were appearing from jungle, hot fire was opened by a party from hills on left. Advanced men galloped ahead, got under cover, dismounted, and started to climb hill. It was difficult to discover enemy through thick jungle, but shots were exchanged, and it was now that Eckford was shot through the heart.

"A few minutes after, Kettlewell saw from crest of ridge 150 to 200 men rush out from bottom of ravine below, towards river bank. His men fired on them, but they quickly disappeared into jungle. Meanwhile sowars of baggage guard had crossed to north bank of river and taken up position in low hills. They report that smaller body of robbers joined attack also from the north.

"Kettlewell now collected men with him, descended hills, and crossed river-bed, taking Eckford's body with him. They joined other party and native officer and two sowars who had gone ahead also rejoined party here. Meanwhile robbers appear to have made off over hills northwards with the booty. Whole party then returned to Khamvezian, moving by north bank of river. During this movement some fifteen to twenty horsemen were seen on hills to north, and shots exchanged.

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tempt was made no attack his small party. Robbers were apparently only out for plunder, and cleared off at once when they seized mules. As to the gendarmerie, it would appear that the Persian officer, when he reached Burjinturi, brought his men along the crest of hills, and it was there that they were wounded. Kettlewell only saw them in the distance moving along the hills to the south when he was returning towards Khamvezian."

THE TANJONG PAGAR DOCK CASE.

Judgment on the Question of Fraud.

As stated in our telegram of that date, judgment on the issue of fraud in the Tanjong Pagar case was given on 20th ult. when the judge of the High Court held that there had been a blunder through carelessness, but no intention to deceive, and reserved his judgment on the other points.

His Lordship felt that the representation was in fact untrue as to the trial pits, which, though sunk in the usual way with runners and settings, had not, as shown on the drawings, been sunk to the hard, but approximately to the level of dock bottom only, a difference of great importance, especially in the case of trial pits No. 2. In instructing the draughtsmen and checking the drawings, his Lordship thought Mr. Warren was guilty of gross carelessness, but finding, as he did, that he did not realise the misrepresentation contained in the drawings, his Lordship acquitted him of any dishonest intention, or of any desire to deceive, or of any conscious misstatement of fact. The misrepresentation was, in his Lordship's opinion, entirely due to a blunder brought about by Mr. Warren's carelessness and inaccuracy, and he was satisfied that none of the persons concerned (not even Mr. Warren himself) had any intention or desire to deceive, or knowingly made any misstatement.

His Lordship, without any hesitation, found that the charges contained in the statement of claim of intentional and fraudulent concealment or suppression of material facts had been fully disproved. He was quite satisfied that neither Mr. Nicholson nor Mr. Wilson nor any one else was guilty of any dishonest concealment or suppression of material facts.

The hearing extended over 42 days, and constitutes the longest and most expensive Chancery case on record. It was estimated at the opening of the case that at least half a ton of paper had been delivered on each side, and this has been considerably augmented during the trial by the printed transcript of the shorthand notes, there being 1,021 pages of evidence representing 23,471 questions and answers, and about 800 pages of speeches. The printing bill alone comes to £1,500. A part from the consultation rooms, the court has been stocked with maps, plans, briefs, and files of correspondence, and even the clock had to be removed to make room for a huge sketch of the proposed dock. The evidence occupied 22 days, and the speeches 13. Five K.O.'s and a galaxy of juniors were briefed, the leader on one side getting 2,600 guineas and a "refresher" of £100 a day, and the leader on the other side 2,000 guineas.

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POST OFFICE.

MAILS ARRIVED TO-DAY.

Europe, s.s. Bremen.
Swatow, s.s. Haimun.
Manila, s.s. Rubi.

MAILS VIA SIBERIA.

Left London Due Shanghai
Jan. 2 Jan. 18
Jan. 3 Jan. 20

MAILS DUE.

Siberian, Yushun, 25th inst.

The Yushun with the Siberian Mail from London of Wednesday the 1st inst. is due to arrive here to-morrow.

MAILS CLOSE.

Haiphong and Pakhoi—Per Triumph, 25th Jan., 8 a.m.
Philippine Islands, Yap, Angaur, Fred, Wilhelmshafen, Rabaul, Herbertshofen, Matupi, Australia, Tasmania and New Zealand via Brisbane—Per Coblenz, 25th Jan., 8 a.m.
Ningpo, Shanghai and North China—Per Changchow, 25th Jan., 11 a.m.
Philippine Islands—Per Loong sang, 25th Jan., 1 p.m.
Macao—Per Sui Tai, 25th Jan., 1.15.

Siberian Mail: Shanghai and North China (Europe via Siberia)—Per Linan, 25th Jan., 5 p.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per Kwongsang, 25th Jan., 5 p.m.

Swatow—Per Haimun, 26th Jan., 9 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow via Tamsui—Per Daigmaru, 26th Jan., 9 a.m.

Saigon—Per Telemachus, 26th Jan., 9 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Balching, 28th Jan., 9 a.m.

Philippine Islands—Per Taithibus, 28th Jan., 9 a.m.

Batavia, Semarang and Sourabaya—Per Tjitaroem, 28th Jan., 11 a.m.

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SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVED.

Coblenz, Ger. s.s. 3,200, L. Klugkist, 23rd Jan.—Yokohama 16th Jan., Gen. M. & Co.

Antenor, Br. s.s. 3,563, Wallace, 23rd Jan.—Singapore, Gen. B. & S.

Chipshing, Br. s.s. 1,199, Mooney, 23rd Jan.—Bangkok 15th Jan., Rice—J. M. & Co.

Titania, Ger. s.s. 1,800, Vogt, 23rd Jan.—Tsingtao 19th Jan., Ballast—German Navy.

Haimun, Br. s.s. 641, J. W. Evans, 24th Jan.—Swatow 23rd Jan., Gen. D. L. & Co.

Bremen, Ger. s.s. 7,077, B. Wilhelmen, 24th Jan.—Hamburg 12th Dec., Gen. M. & Co.

Ulv, Nor. s.s. 885, Pedersen, 24th Jan.—Bangkok 16th Jan., Rice—T. & Co.

Siam, Br. s.s. 981, H. Fryne, 24th Jan.—Hongay 20th Jan., Coal—Lamke & Rogge, Rubi, Am. s.s. 1,408, J. Miller, 24th Jan.—Manila 21st Jan., Sugar—S. T. & Co.

Changchow, Br. s.s. 1,205, H. Trowbridge, 24th Jan.—Canton 23rd Jan., Gen. B. & S.

Tean, Am. s.s. 1,346, A. H. Outerbridge, 24th Jan.—Manila 21st Jan., Gen. B. & S.

Ariake Maru, Jap. s.s. 2,183, Sato, 24th Jan.—Miike 18th Jan., Coal—M. B. G.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.

Jan. 23.

Jason, for Singapore. Glenroy, for Yokohama. Armenia, for Hamburg. Jan. 24.

Produce, for Bangkok. Kwongchauwan, for K. C. Wan. Dilwara, for Calcutta. Trigonia, for Balik Papan. Siam, for Canton. Triumph, for Haiphong.

DEPARTED.

Jan. 24.

Dalya-maru, for Wakamatsu. Hui-chow, for Port Courbet. Hsiyang, for Foochow. Shansi, for Canton. Wingsang, for Canton. Carl Diederichsen, Pakhoi. Armenia, for Straits. Sungkiang, for Haiphong. Mau-sang, for Sandakan. Jason, for Straits. Dilwara, for Straits.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per s.s. Rubi, arrived 24th inst., from Manila:—

Brada, Jose Wilkes, Mr. & Mrs. K. W. de Mrs.

Per s.s. Bremen, arrived 24th inst., from Hamburg, &c.:—

Al Farn Ng Kwong-cheng, Crange, Mrs. M. Ng Ah-gnee Christian, Mr. J. Otto, Mrs. B. Pooeck, N.

Cheong Wai-hin Pomerol, A. D. Chew Lian-pah de Chung Phung Frejawa, Capt.

Dorne, Mrs. N. W. O. Dietmer, D. W. Phoe Lip-ijay Denner, Mr. and Richardson, Mr. Mrs. S. and Mrs. P.

Evans, F. H. W. Freund, H. Richardson, W. Florida, Miss H. Steinke Florida, Mr. and Staller, W. Miss T. Somerleist, Mr. Gow Chow-lit B. Herrier, Mr. and Saw Soon-ree Mrs. F. O. San Cheong-ang Hon Chow, Miss Schroter, Dr. Kubary, Miss T. Tracy, Colonel Kolpin, Mr. O. Tracy, Miss Kemp, Mrs. W. Tow Hen-kue Keysell, T. E. Tay Seoy-chian Kuan, Mrs. and Trinir, G. Miss Vogt, Miss A. Westhoff, Mr. Lai Ling-kai Waterhouse, Lin Chui-hui Mrs. A. Wong Chanting Mehler, Mr. and Yin, S. P. Yim Hung-fong PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per s.s. Prinz Ludwig, sailed 22nd inst., for Europe, &c.:—

Allen, Mrs. O. A. Massey, Miss R. Bickel C. Mowforth, A. L. Fruger, Capt. Ritchey, Miss J. Bost, Mrs. W. Cart, H. E. Renard, Dr. and Mrs. F. Deacon, Mrs. R. Schiel, Mr. and Mrs. D. Denerling, Miss Schiel, Miss A. C. Singles, Mrs. B. Drew, Dr. H. C. F. France, K. G. Seelhorst, Sister Goh Cheow-pet A. Von Giles, Mr. & Mrs. Tau Chui-hoo Gohi, W. M. Wea, H. C. Horne, R. Yee Loong-Koch, Dr. W. All productions of the ALEXANDRA CAFE CO. are under the strictest European Super-vision.

WEATHER REPORT.

On the 24th at 11.05.—The anticyclone has further strengthened and is now central over N.E. China and S.W. Manchuria.

Pressure has increased moderately to slightly in all districts except S. Formosa, the Philippines, and Cochin-China, where it is nearly stationary.

Strong monsoon is indicated along the E. coast of China and over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.01 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District. Forecast. 1. Hongkong and Neighbourhood N. winds.